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Applicants: Jay M. Short Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 09/753,752 Examiner: Delia M. Ramirez
Filed: January 2, 2001
Title: SCREENING METHODS FOR ENZYMES AND ENZYMES KITS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

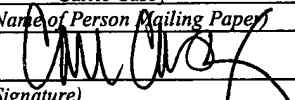
This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Final Office Action mailed December 27, 2002.

The requested extension is for One (1) Month, extending the period for response from March 27, 2003 to April 27, 2003.

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Enclosed is Check No. 535409 in the total amount of \$110.00; which consists of the fee for One (1) Month extension of time and Terminal Disclaimer Fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 24, 2003



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